Fabrikistan Islamic Jihad (FIJ)

The Fabrikistan Islamic Jihad represents the radical or fundamentalist end of the spectrum of Political Islam (see **Political Islam** in **Resource Kit**). Fundamentalists accept a narrow, literal, and intolerant interpretation of Islam and some, like the FIJ, go an extra step in promoting visions of a pan-Islamic state and advocating violence.

The Fabrikistan Islamic Jihad is a social movement aimed at creating a government committed to Islamic law (shari'a) and to upholding the values of the Koran. It is run by religious leaders who speak out in their mosques on the wrongs of the government of Fabrikistan and its international allies. The present government is condemned as corrupt and the puppet of international bankers. The FIJ calls it "the infidel regime" and an enemy of Islam. The leaders of the FIJ maintain a close working relationship with an armed paramilitary wing of the movement and have praised acts of violence aimed at destabilizing the government.

The FIJ is particularly outraged by what it sees as the extension of a corrupt and corrupting culture that strikes at every aspect of a proper life and promotes a heathen ideal of women and their role. They oppose all mixed sex schooling, mixed sexes working together, or women working outside the home at all. The FIJ favors a council of religious experts who are entrusted with ensuring that laws and decisions of the government are in conformity with religious principles and rules.

Frame

Global economic institutions are an instrument for Western industrial countries maintaining dominance over the material and spiritual life of the people of Fabrikistan and for spreading Western culture and its social and economic values. Foreign corporations are the leading instrument of this domination. Whatever material benefits that participation in the global economic system may produce is more than offset by the spiritual corruption that they inevitably produce.

Access Rules

Other teams require your permission to meet with you.

Success Indicators.

Constituency Support (CS). This begins at 100 and is raised by actions that increase the commitment and numbers of followers and participants in the movement. It is lowered by actions that decrease the commitment and numbers of followers and participants.

Cultural Influence (CI). This begins at 100 and is raised by actions that increase the relative strength of Islamic values and institutions in the face of the challenge presented by an alien culture and values. It is lowered by actions that decrease the relative strength of Islamic values and institutions.

Regime Instability (RI): This begins at 100 and is raised by actions that reduce the stability and weaken support for the government. It is lowered by actions that increase the support and stability of the regime.

Overall Success = (2CS + CI + RI)/4

Recommended to Print from Resource Kit:

You should make hard copies of the following parts of the Resource Kit to read ahead of time or bring with you to the game sessions:

*** Glossary of Technical Terms
*** Ecotourism
*** Political Islam

Fabrikistan Islamic Jihad (FIJ) Action Options

The following action options are available to the FIJ team and you may adopt as many as you choose or none at all.

Regarding the proposed project by CDI and the loan application of the Government of Fabrikistan:

___ I. Ignore this project. It is not relevant for our goals.

___ II. Support this project as proposed.

___ III. Support this project on condition that the following features are changed (check all that apply below):

- ___ IIIa. Eliminate the nature preserve.
- ___ IIIb. Eliminate Lola and Friends.
- ___ IIIc. Eliminate the casino.
- ___ IIId. Eliminate the "Sheik Duds" clothing.
- ___ IIIe. Eliminate the training center.
- ___ IIIf. Eliminate the micro-financing program.
- ___ IIIg. Other conditions (specify) _____

___ IV. Agree that you will not oppose the project if the Government of Fabrikistan observes the following conditions:

- ___ IVa. The Green World of the Future will be closed to Fabrikistan citizens.
- ___ IVb. The rest of the country would be subject to strict Islamic law but The Green World of the future would be exempted.

___ V. Oppose this project in all its aspects. It is beyond redemption.

- ___ Va. Speak out against it in the mosque, mobilizing popular opposition.
- ___ Vb. Protest it using various forms of disruptive but non-violent resistance.
- ___ Vc. Carry out sabotage and bombing of the site to prevent construction.
- ___ Vd. Other opposition action (specify)

___ VI. Other action[1] (specify using other side of form if necessary)

[1] You should check with the game coordinator who will rule whether such an action would be possible in the real world.

FIJ Press Release

You are not concerned with communicating with the Western press or what they say about you. However, you should prepare a press release on your actions for Voice of Islam (VOI).

FIJ Broadcast Rating Form

Your success indicators are not affected by how you are reported in the Western press. However, you closely monitor the VOI.

WUSA Notes:

Europress Notes:

Voice of Islam (VOI): Notes:

1. Were the actions of the FIJ covered fully and fairly from your standpoint?

_____ a. Yes. Coverage was pretty much the way we would have presented it ourselves.
_____ b. Mixed yes and no. Coverage of some of our actions was good but there were significant omissions and/or inclusion of distracting and irrelevant material.
_____ c. No, coverage missed important aspects of our actions and/or distorted other aspects.

2. Did coverage show the implications for the Islamic community, values and culture?

_____ a. Gave significant attention to the implications for the Islamic community.
_____ b. Mixed, with some attention but not a lot.
_____ c. Little or no attention to the significance for the Islamic community, values and culture?